Block2

street video series curated by Neill Prewitt



featuring *Resident Tourist* by Tim Kiernan.



Resident Tourist will appear in the window of Urban Design Center, located at 133 Fayetteville St., dusk to 2 a.m., April 8 - May 24. An additional screening will take place specially for the opening night of **home/journeys**, April 8, 5-7 p.m. at the Block Gallery, 222 West Hargett St.



Tim Kiernan, Video Artist

"Resident Tourist" is a triptych video piece filmed in both Raleigh and the Chinese cities of Ghuangzhou, Shenyang, and Wuhan. It acknowledges Raleigh's growth in progress but primarily focuses on the question: "Growing into what?"

Tim Kiernan received his dual degree from NC State University in Art & Design and Mass Communication. A freelance video film-maker whose work has taken him all over the world to locations as far away as China, India, Brazil, and Sweden, his greatest inspiration continues to be his hometown of Raleigh, NC.

Images on reverse from Resident Tourist by Tim Kiernan.

CURATOR'S STATEMENT

Growing up here, downtown Raleigh at night was dark windows and mute edifices, meager solace from the suburban sprawl of North Raleigh. A sense of placelessness marked my experience of the city, but the amazing people I knew kept me grounded here.

Returning to Raleigh recently, I am encouraged to see people in the streets at night. But a lasting revitalization of our city will afford greater public representation to personal experiences. In curating this new street video series I hope to enliven our cultural conversation with artists whose work speaks to what Raleigh has been, is, and can be.

Neill Prewitt

Block2 is the latest venture by the Raleigh Arts Commission to further connect artists to community. This new venue will feature films created by local video artists that relate to and expand upon the exhibition themes showcased at the Block Gallery.

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